

Subject to approval at the October 11, 2016, Board of Works meeting.

City of West Lafayette, Indiana  
Board of Public Works and Safety  
MINUTES

October 4, 2016  
8:30 a.m.  
Morton Community Center  
Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Bradley L. Cohen, Jason D. Huber, and Thomas J. Kent. Clerk Sana G. Booker was absent. Brooke E. Folkers presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 27, 2016, Meeting

Mr. Kent moved to accept the minutes of the September 27, 2016, Board of Works meeting. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proclamation: Mental Health Awareness – Mayor

Mayor John Dennis spoke about the importance of Mental Health issues, especially with our law enforcement officers. He then read the proclamation aloud:

**Mayoral Proclamation for Mental Illness Awareness Week 2016**

WHEREAS, mental health is part of overall health; and

WHEREAS, one in five adults experiences a mental health problem in any given year; and

WHEREAS, approximately one-half of chronic mental illness begins by the age of 14 and three-quarters by age 24; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States and the 2nd leading cause among young adults, and 90% of people who die by suicide have an underlying mental illness; and

WHEREAS, long delays—sometimes decades—often occur between the time symptoms first appear and when individuals get help; and

WHEREAS, early identification and treatment can make a difference in successful management of mental illness and recovery; and

WHEREAS, it is important to maintain mental health and learn the symptoms of mental illness in order to get help when it is needed; and

WHEREAS, every citizen and community can make a difference in helping end the silence and stigma that for too long has surrounded mental illness and discouraged people from getting help; and

WHEREAS, public education and civic activities can encourage mental health and help improve the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I **John Dennis, Mayor of West Lafayette, Indiana**, do hereby proclaim October 2 through October 8, 2016 as Mental Illness Awareness Week in **West Lafayette, Indiana**, to shine a light on mental illness and fight stigma, provide support, educate the public and advocate for equal care.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all citizens, businesses, schools and community organizations are encouraged to take the #StigmaFree pledge at [www.nami.org/stigmafree](http://www.nami.org/stigmafree) in observance of Mental Illness Awareness Week.

Astrid Hastak, Executive Director of NAMI, explained that the stigma that surrounds mental illness is what keeps most people from seeking help. Approximately 60% of people who are living with mental illness are too afraid to step forward, and the services that are available in our community to help them are often not being utilized. Ms. Hastak stated that Mental Illness Awareness Week will help raise awareness in the community. She stated that the NAMI Fall Classic 5K for Mental Illness will be on Sunday, October 9, 2016, at McAllister Park.

b. Proclamation: Sound of West Side Day – Mayor  
Mayor John Dennis read the proclamation aloud:

**SOUND OF WEST SIDE DAY  
Saturday, October 8th, 2016**

**WHEREAS**, The West Lafayette Community School Corporation Bands, under the direction of Don Pettit and Clayton Henady, have brought recognition to the City of West Lafayette by representing the community at sporting events, in parades, and at musical competitions throughout the state, and

**WHEREAS**, the band program provides many opportunities for personal and musical growth to students across the West Lafayette Community School Corporation, and

**WHEREAS**, the West Lafayette band students will be marching through our city for their First Annual Sound of West Side March-a-Thon on October 8th, 2016, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of West Lafayette takes pride in the bands of the West Side Schools,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John Dennis, Mayor of the City of West Lafayette, of the State of Indiana, do hereby call upon all citizens to recognize Saturday, October 8th, 2016 as

**Sound of West Side Day**

in the City of West Lafayette and call upon all citizens to recognize the West Side Bands for their contributions and service to the citizens of West Lafayette and toward the betterment of our City. We congratulate the bands and honor the directors and students for their hard work and dedication to the joy their music brings to our citizens.

c. Hire: Traffic Maintenance/Equipment Operator – Brook King – Street

Street Commission Payne requested approval to hire Brook King as a Traffic Maintenance/Equipment Operator with the Street Department. Commissioner Payne explained that Ms. King's position will be versatile. Ms. King will also be trained to become Tonya's back-up. She does have a commercial driver's license (CDL), which will allow her to drive the trucks when necessary for the Department. The bi-weekly salary for Ms. King will be \$1,500.00, effective October 11, 2016.

Mr. Huber moved that the hire of Brook King be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Change Order No. 1: CSO Relief Interceptor Project – Auburn Meadows Lift Station – Bowen Engineering Corporation – WWTU

Director Henderson requested approval for a change order with Bowen Engineering Corporation. Director Henderson explained that this is a change order to the CSO Guaranteed Savings Performance Contract. The State Code allows for a certain percentage of a change order to be non-causally connected. The Auburn Meadows Lift Station project meets the requirements for the Guaranteed Savings Contract, and we would like to change order this into the CSO Relief Interceptor project contract. He noted that the documents provided includes the guaranteed maximum price proposal, and the end price for doing the lift station work would be \$1,463,600.00. He stated that we have worked with the City Council to provide additional funding for this through a bond anticipation note, which has closed.

Mr. Cohen moved that Change Order No. 1 with Bowen Engineering Corporation be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

e. Claims

i. AP Docket	\$273,722.95
ii. AP Docket	\$74,290.39
iii. PR Docket	\$613,947.97
iv. RDC Docket	\$68,971.01

Mr. Cohen moved that the claims be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

f. Informational Items

i. Legal Budget & Expenses – Controller

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

ii. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

g. Other Items

► Police Chief Dombkowski stated that there will be a swearing-in ceremony for two new officers, following the meeting. Chief Dombkowski encouraged the Board to stay after the meeting in order to attend if available.

► City Engineering Garrison stated that progress for the Happy Hollow project had slowed down, but has now picked back up. They have laid stone, and are now installing the underdrain system. They will begin curb work at the end of the week. The CSO Relief Interceptor Project is continuing to move along well. The asphalt base has been put down for the roundabout, and they have installed the curb. Mr. Garrison stated that they are still projecting a mid-November date to be able to open back up for traffic. Purdue University will be doing a chilled water line on Harrison Street. They initially planned on boring it and shutting down one lane westbound between Marstellar Street and Hort Drive. They have now run into some issues, and will have to open cut the water line, which will cause them to close the westbound lanes. The closure is expected to last one week. Mr. Garrison stated that McCormick Road has tight flagging due to the new Blackbird Apartment complex that is being built on the west side of the road. He explained that this will be daytime flagging only, which will have traffic restricted down to one lane. Both lanes will be reopened with plates in the evenings. These traffic restrictions are expected to be completed by the end of the week.

Mr. Cohen asked when Happy Hollow is expected to be completed, to which Mr. Garrison responded that it will be before they shut the plants down for the winter. There may be some incidental items that need to be completed next year, but the goal is be able to open the road back up to two-way traffic before the end of the year.

Mr. Garrison noted that there is a section on Yeager Road between Sagamore Parkway and Cumberland Avenue that has been in bad shape for a long time. The goal is to completely reconstruct it. Bike trails will be added, and the road will be widened, with the possibility of four lanes. However, this is approximately five years out before being able to be completed. In the meantime, a cape seal has been done on the road. Mr. Garrison explained that this is a two part fix. It is a scrub seal on the bottom, which is a glorified chip seal, with a micro surface on top, which is a thin asphalt surface. Even though this is only a temporary fix, it is a noticeable improvement to the roadway.

David Meihls, ADA Consultants of Indiana, asked if this type of repair would be suitable to make repairs on the trails, to which Mr. Garrison responded yes.

► Street Commissioner Payne provided the Board with the 2016 City Leaf Pickup Schedule, along with photos of the new one-man leaf vac truck, which they have named "Elvira." Commissioner Payne explained that former Street Commissioner Dave Downey built one truck out of two machines, that they called "Franky." He explained with using that same concept, they have taken a truck and chassis, and placed a pull-behind trailer on top of the chassis. Then they used a company out of Ohio to retrofit an arm that is all robotic and controlled with a joystick. Commissioner Payne stated that it only cost an estimated \$28,520.00 for the Department to build this truck, whereas a used one-man leaf vac is estimated to cost \$99,000.00.

Mr. Kent asked how they get the leaves out, to which Commissioner Payne responded that they are able to dump them when the trailer is full.

► Police Sergeant Philhower stated that this Saturday is the first year for the Sound of West Side March-a-thon. Sergeant Philhower explained that this is a fundraising event for the marching band. They will begin at the High School at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday and will end at the baseball fields, which are north of Cumberland School around 2:15 p.m. The route is approximately five miles long. The Motorcycle Task Force will be escorting the band to ensure their safety.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Cohen moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Ms. Folkers adjourned the meeting.